

# KERMIT T. STEVENSON III

## GRAPHIC DESIGNER

### KERMITOPIA.COM

Design | Branding | Video | Photo Illustration | Infographics | Advertising

## CAREER

### Small Newspaper Group

SNG Shared Services | Moline, Illinois

**Page Designer/Copy Editor** | January 2018 – Present  
Responsible for newspaper page design and copy editing for The Post-Bulletin, Rochester, Minnesota. Projects completed using **Adobe InDesign** and **Blox Total CMS**.

### Heart of America Group | Moline, Illinois

**Graphic Designer** | April 2016 – September 2016  
Responsible for graphic design, advertising, signage, web graphics, and video (shoot and edit) for various HOA brands. Projects completed using **Adobe Illustrator**, **Adobe Photoshop**, **Adobe InDesign**, **Adobe Premiere**, and **Wordpress**.

### Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce | Quad Cities

**Graphic Designer** | August 2013 – January 2016  
Responsible for graphic design, advertising, infographics, presentations, signage, photography, and video (shoot and edit) for various Chamber divisions and events. Uphold graphic and brand standards internally and with outsourced projects. Assist with event planning, preparation, and execution. Projects completed using **Adobe Illustrator**, **Adobe Photoshop**, **Adobe InDesign**, **Adobe Premiere**, **Microsoft PowerPoint** and **Prezi**.

### Small Newspaper Group

The Dispatch and The Rock Island Argus | Moline, Illinois  
**Design & Graphics Editor** | May 2008 – September 2013  
Responsible for producing newsroom graphics and designing covers, elements, and pages for The Dispatch and The Rock Island Argus newspapers and other Moline Dispatch publications. Projects completed using **Adobe Illustrator**, **Adobe Photoshop**, and **Adobe InDesign**.

### Small Newspaper Group

The Dispatch and The Rock Island Argus | Moline, Illinois  
**Advertising Designer** | June 2004 – May 2008  
Designed and produced a variety of advertising for The Dispatch and The Rock Island Argus newspapers and other Moline Dispatch publications. Designed covers for books and special sections. Projects completed using **Adobe Illustrator**, **Adobe Photoshop**, and **QuarkXpress**.

Black Hawk College | East Moline, Illinois  
**Business & Community Education Center Instructor** | Spring 2010

Taught two 6-week courses in Photoshop Elements.

## FREELANCE & PRO BONO

Kermitopia | Moline, Illinois

**Graphic Design & Video** | January 2000 – Present

Most freelance work produced in a pro bono capacity.

Current & former select clients include:

**One Voice (Christmas Concert)** • **March of Dimes** • **KLJB**

**FOX18** • **World Relief** • **Bethany Church** | Quad Cities

**Judson Fellowship** • **NIU** | DeKalb, Illinois

**Wycliffe Associates** | Orlando, Florida

**Community Christian Church** | Naperville, Illinois

**Reptilian's Reptile Rescue** | Plano, Illinois

## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Fine Arts** | May 2001

**Northern Illinois University** | DeKalb, Illinois

**Time Arts Major (Design)** | Video Art, Audio Art, 3D, Interactive Art, Graphic Design, Animation, Illustration, and Web Design. **Graduate Level** | Video Art (One Course)

**Associate of Arts** | May 1998

**Black Hawk College** | Moline, Illinois

**Art Major** | Drawing, Painting, Illustration, Art History, Photography, Graphic Design, and Computer Graphics.

**Magna Cum Laude**, **Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society**, **National Dean's List**

## MILITARY

**United States Navy** | August 1990 – May 1996

**Gas Turbine Systems Technician (Electrical)** | E-5

Served aboard the USS Flatley (FFG-21). Operated and repaired engineering, propulsion, and electrical equipment vital to keeping a U.S. Navy Ship underway, operational, and mission ready.

## AWARDS & HONORS

**Mid-America Economic Development Council** | 2015

**First Place** | Quad Cities First Industry Ad Campaign

**Newspaper Awards** | 2006-2013

**Various Illinois Individual & Group Awards:** Infographics, Photo Illustration, Best Overall Designer, Advertising, Special Sections, Editorial Series, and Newspaper Design

**United States Navy** | **Honorable Discharge**, **Good Conduct Medal**, & **Letter of Commendation**

**Boy Scouts** | **Order of the Arrow** & **Eagle Scout**

**Member** | **AIGA** | the professional association for design